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1. EMBOFF MADE PRESENTATION ON CODE TO FONOFF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR MARITIME AFFAIRS AS INSTRUCTED IN REFTEL. EMPHASIS WAS PLACED ON THE GENERAL US POSITION OPPOSING THE CODE AND THE REASONS THEREFOR.

2. FONOFF OFFICIAL (RINALDINI) WHO WAS WELL INFORMED ON THE CODE AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF ITS APPROVAL IN APRIL COMMENTED THAT THE GOA FULLY UNDERSTOOD THE US POINT OF VIEW AND THE OBJECTIONS WHICH WE, AND OTHER MAJOR MARITIME NATIONS HAVE, TO THE CODE. HE VOLUNTEERED THE GOA'S ESTIMATE THAT IT WAS HIGHLY IMPROBABLE THAT THE REQUIRED NUMBER OF RATIFICATIONS, ESPECIALLY THOSE OF THE MAJOR SHIPPING COUNTRIES, WOULD BE OBTAINED AND THAT THE CODE WOULD BECOME EFFECTIVE. ARGENTINA HAD VOTED FOR ITS APPROVAL BUT AS INDICATED BY ITS ABSTENTION ON SOME VOTES HAD NOT BEEN ENTIRELY PLEASED AT THE CODE.

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3. AS THE RESULT OF FURTHER ANALYSIS SINCE APRIL, RINALDINI

SAID, ARGENTINE MARITIME AUTHORITIES NOW HAD ADDITIONAL DOUBTS AS TO WHETHER THE CODE WAS IN THE LONG RANGE BEST INTERESTS OF THEIR OWN MERCHANT MARINE. THE GOA HAS MADE NO DECISION YET WHETHER OR NOT IT WOULD RATIFY THE CODE. THEY WOULD LIKE TO FULFILL WHAT THEY REGARD AS POLITICAL OBLIGATIONS TOWARD OTHER DEVELOPING AND LESS DEVELOPED COUNTRIES BUT AT THE SAME TIME WANT TO BE SURE THEY ARE TAKING THE BEST COURSE OF ACTION FOR THEIR MARITIME INTERESTS. RINALDINI SAID HE APPRECIATED RECEIVING THE FURTHER CLARIFICATION OF US VIEWS AND SUGGESTED THAT EMBOFF MIGHT WISH TO INQUIRE IN ABOUT A MONTH AS TO WHETHER THERE WERE FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS IN ARGENTINE THINKING ON THE CODE.

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